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HIGHLY STABLE PULSE STRETCHERS.

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Abstract

Highly stable pulse stretchers are described that are designed for fine control of pulse duration in digital pulse shapers of nuclear magnetic resonance spectrometers with a quantization step of 0.1 μ sec. The fine-control range is 20-150 nsec. The stretchers employ a circuit to compensate for the logic-0 voltage and the time delays of the logic elements. The instability of the trailing-edge delay for a supply variation of plus or minus 0.5 V is less than 0.1%, and the temperature instability in the range of 20-80 degree C is not over $(60/t/d) \cdot 0.3\%$, where t/d is the trailing-edge delay. The inputs and outputs of the pulse stretchers are matched to TTL and Schottky TTL levels.
